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	BA	JP-04-363306-A	12-16-1992	Sekisui Chemical Co., Ltd.	Abstract attached. Corresponds to AB.	✓
	BB	JP-05-043615-A	02-23-1993	Sekisui Chemical Co., Ltd.	Abstract attached.	✓
	BC	JP-11-029617-A	02-02-1999	Nippon Soda Co., Ltd.	Abstract attached.	✓
	BD	JP-2000-344836-A	12-12-2000	Shin-Etsu Chemical Co., Ltd.	Abstract attached. Corresponds to AC.	✓
	BE	JP-2001-181352-A	07-03-2001	KRI International, Inc.	Abstract attached.	✓
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